

Fair and slightly warmer tonight and Friday.

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## PLAY BALL! BATTER UP! FANS HAPPY

Season Opens, Pennant Is Not Expected For Capitalites.

Landing in Fifth Place Would Be a Big Help.

Clark Griffith Boosts New York Pitching Staff.

By THOMAS S. RICE.

Silide!

This is the advice of the Washington baseball fans to the Washington baseball team in the American League race, which opens at American League Park this afternoon at 4 o'clock in a game with New York.

Nobody expects the team to win a pennant this season, and only a few are sanguine enough to hope it will land in the first division. A roosting place around fifth would be a nice warm spot in the chilly October days.

Joe is not a magician. He doesn't pretend to be able to take double eagles out of the back of your neck, or to be able to tell what the fat gentleman on the end of the aisle has written on the back of an envelope and concealed in his inside pocket. He is there for the facts and figures, and doesn't hope to go behind the returns.

Led by a Fighter. Cantillon is a master of baseball—and he is a fighter. Knowledge and a certain amount of spirit a manager may impart to his henchmen, the delivering of the goods depends entirely upon the men themselves. Hence the fans should not expect too much of the material on hand.

This is not saying that Cantillon has not at his command a pretty good ball team. There are some fairly reliable batters, and there is also more or less distance slugging if Anderson, Hickman, Kitson, Hughes, and one or two others live up to their reputations.

Bat Better Than Sox. The team batting average last season was .236, which was eight points better than the Chicago White Sox, who won the championship of the world. Last season with no pretense at team work and every man striving only to protect his own average, Washington won in every three games it played. This year, with a possible improvement in batting and a very decided advance in all the other departments of baseball, why should not the club win many of the games which were lost last year because there was an utter lack of system in the attack?

That is the cheerful view of the situation and the one which should encourage the fans to give the team all the help and encouragement it can get. If it lost on Monday and Tuesday of last season and won on Wednesday, with all that Cantillon has already drilled into his hired men and what they will get as the season grows older, there is every reason to believe that occasionally our brave boys will spring and cop one of those Monday or Tuesday contests.

Brains May Save 'Em. In these days of high-class pitchers one run made through a display of brainwork is enough on about two days in the week to win a game, and as the returned tourists have been displaying symptoms of rare intelligence on the bases and in the field, let us hope the throbs from their grey matter will beat the other fellows to it.

Cantillon is confident that his veterans will recover their battling eyes under the stimulus of being up against the real thing. After all, you can't score runs unless you get to first, and if those lamps are no brighter in the major league games than they were in the exhibitions against the minors, there will be a sad drop in the neighborhood of Florida avenue and Seventh street. There is comfort in the fact that the batting showed a tendency to become more classy toward the end of the exhibition series, so Cantillon's confidence may be justified.

Chase Won't Appear. Neither Cantillon nor Griffith has definitely decided upon their pitchers for today's game but Joe intimated that it would probably be Hughes, Falkenberg, or Patten on the firing line for the Nationals, while Clarke Griffith said this morning that he would work out Al Orth, Bill Hoge, Walter Clarkson, and Keefe before the game, and would select the one that looked best to him to open the season.

Hal Chase, considered by many to be the best first baseman in the country, will not be in the line-up this afternoon. Griffith and Hal had a disagreement about the salary which Chase was to receive and the matter has but recently been adjusted to the satisfaction of both parties. In the meantime Chase has been loafing in his home on the outskirts of San Francisco. He left there for Washington day before yesterday and will join the Yanks in the (Continued on Eighth Page.)

## AGED FARMER BADLY BEATEN; NEGRO IN JAIL

Francis B. Kilgour Says Farm Hand Attacked Him.

Returned From Washington Under the Influence of Liquor.

Says He Drove Daughters and Wife Out of House.

ROCKVILLE, Md., April 11.—This town is in a fever of excitement today as the result of the story of a sensational and brutal attack upon Francis B. Kilgour, sixty-five years of age, a highly respected farmer, residing three miles from here, by his employee, George Bussin, a Washington negro about thirty years of age.

Bussin, who is now in jail here, held for a hearing next week, it is charged, not only assaulted Mr. Kilgour and beat him about the head with the heavy breast chains of a four-horse team, but he afterward took a shot gun and made himself master of the Kilgour home, driving Mrs. Kilgour and the two Kilgour daughters in flight in their night robes across the fields for assistance.

They ran a quarter of a mile to the home of Henry Higgins, who, with other residents of the neighborhood, went to the Kilgour home, disarmed Bussin and drove him from the house. Bussin was arrested this morning in his room on the Kilgour place and was brought here and jailed.

The story told by the Kilgours is that Bussin returned from Washington last evening with Mr. Kilgour's team. Kilgour noticed that he had been drinking heavily and said something to him. Thereupon Bussin assaulted Mr. Kilgour with the heavy chains, hitting him about the head and shoulders. Kilgour finally made his way to the house, where he was cared for by his family. Everything then became quiet and it was thought the trouble was over.

In the night, however, Bussin, with a shotgun in his hand, entered the house and took possession. It is alleged that Kilgour and her daughters had locked Mr. Kilgour in his room to keep Bussin from reaching him. When Bussin entered the house the three women fled across the fields in the darkness and summoned help.

Bussin bore a bad name in the community, the neighbors say. He apparently made no attempt to escape after he had been driven from the house by the rescue party of men. Mr. Kilgour was well enough to be in Rockville today.

Bussin was arrested this morning by Deputy Sheriff Mullican.

## BERLIN'S SISTER SHIP AGROUND

LONDON, April 11.—The steamer Brussels, of the Great Eastern Railway Company's fleet, and a sister ship of the Berlin, which was wrecked on the Hook of Holland, February 21, went aground in a dense fog off the Harwich coast last night.

The Brussels has sixty passengers on board, and considerable anxiety is felt for their safety, although the company officials say there is no danger.

The vessel, resting on a sandy beach, and it is thought she will float at high tide.

Two hundred persons have been drowned in floods which have swept the valley of Varden river, in Turkey, according to information received by a newspaper here.

## THE WEATHER REPORT.

The New England coast storm has moved off to sea, leaving the weather, however, cloudy and unsettled, with snow still falling at Boston. The Western depression has divided during the last twenty-four hours, one portion being central this morning in Texas, the other in Manitoba. Except in the Mississippi valley, where light showers have fallen, no precipitation of consequence has occurred. Higher temperatures prevail west of the Mississippi, but it is still cold in Eastern districts, with frost in the Carolinas and Tennessee.

TEMPERATURE.  
9 a. m. .... 43  
12 m. .... 42  
1 p. m. .... 53

DOWNTOWN TEMPERATURE.  
(Registered Affect's Standard Thermometer.)  
9 a. m. .... 41  
12 m. .... 40  
1 p. m. .... 57

SUN TABLE.  
Sun sets today ..... 6:34  
Sun rises tomorrow ..... 6:28  
TIDE TABLE.  
High tide today ..... 7:36 p. m.  
Low tide today ..... 1:44 p. m.  
High tide tomorrow ..... 8:20 p. m.  
Low tide tomorrow ..... 2:05 a. m.

HARPER'S FERRY, W. Va., April 11.—Both rivers very muddy this morning.

## THAW JURY STILL DELIBERATING; OPINION DIVIDED AS TO OUTCOME

HARRY THAW IN REPOSE AND AS AFFECTED BY ARGUMENT OF COUNSEL.



Jury Returns to Court Securing Trial Exhibits.

Members of the Family Clearly Showing Strain.

Big Crowds Surround Court Awaiting Verdict.

NEW YORK, April 11.—After hearing a review of the evidence for two hours and a half the jury retired to its room at 1:30 for luncheon and further balloting.

The consensus of opinion about the courts is that a verdict of some sort will be returned before the day is over.

NEW YORK, April 11.—Harry Kendall Thaw will know his fate some time today. In event of the failure of the jury to agree they will be dismissed. At least, this is the information which comes from a high source of the criminal courts building shortly before noon. The general impression was that failure of the jury to agree would result in their being kept together for several days. It is reported today, however, that Justice Fitzgerald has no intention of doing this, and that thirty-six hours would probably be the maximum time he will hold the men.

The reason for this attitude on the part of the court is said to be a case in this State in which the jury in a murder trial returned a verdict of guilty and the ruling was reversed by the appellate court when it was learned that the judge in the case had refused to accept a disagreement and had notified the jury that it would be kept together until a verdict was returned.

Jury Resumes Deliberations. The jury returned from breakfast shortly before 9 o'clock and resumed their balloting.

All sorts of rumors were afloat as to how the jury stood, the most persistent reports being ten for acquittal and two for conviction; eleven for acquittal, one for conviction of manslaughter, and six for acquittal and six for conviction.

All of these, however, were merely guesses, as preparations have been taken which make a leak from the jury room next to impossible.

Family Reaches Court Room. The Thaw family arrived at the court building shortly after 9 o'clock and retired to the privacy of the judge's chambers. Mrs. William Thaw, the Countess of Yarmouth, Mrs. George L. Carnegie, and Edward Thaw were the first to arrive and were followed by a little later by Josiah Thaw and Evelyn.

All of the women bore evidences of having spent a sleepless night. Evelyn appeared pale and almost on the verge of a collapse.

Justice Fitzgerald arrived at the court at 10:21, and was followed a few moments later by District Attorney Jerome.

Not in years has such a mob been around the criminal courts building and the old Tombs as congregated there this morning for a glimpse of the prisoner as he passed over the bridge. Police lines were established and heavy details of officers to prevent any annoyance to members of the prisoner's family.

Court Corridors Jammed. The corridors of the court building were jammed before the hour of opening the court room, at 10:30, and the crush to get past the double lines of blue coats when the doors were finally thrown open was terrific. Men cursed and swore and tore the clothes from each other's backs, while the few women who had the nerve to attempt were thrown aside.

There was no formal opening of the court, Justice Fitzgerald retiring to his chambers and sending word to the jury that he awaited their pleasure and was ready to give any additional instructions desired.

Shortly after 11 o'clock the jury sent down a request for certain exhibits of the trial, and these were hurried to the jury room.

Anxious Crowd Cheers Thaw. At 10:35 Thaw was brought across the Bridge of Sighs from the Tombs prison pen in the court building. At the time Franklin street, which crossed by the Bridge of Sighs, was packed with a dense and restless mob. As the easily discernible figure of the young millionaire passed the windows a cheer went up from the throng below. Thaw smiled, but was not allowed to stop to return the salutation. As soon as he arrived at the court building the prisoner sent out the following statement to the newspaper men, with request that each reporter sign his name on the back of the original copy, and then the copy to be returned.

The statement was as follows: "I am told it is impossible to tell before I find what a jury will do. So I am attending to my ordinary affairs and preparing for the best, as it is simpler to unpack, if necessary, than it would be to return here for my things if the verdict is favorable. I am packing up my belongings. I had a good cold bath this morning and a good breakfast. The details of this trial have proven of great interest to the public at large, and naturally we are all keen in wishing for a speedy verdict."

Shortly after giving out the statement Thaw was joined by Evelyn in the prisoner's pen where a touching

## CARNEGIE'S LIFE IN PERIL BY ASSASSIN

Swiss, Armed With Dagger, Seized by the Police.

PITTSBURGH, April 11.—Andrew Carnegie's life was attempted today at Founders' day reception by a would-be assassin whom the police arrested before he was able to do any harm.

The man was a Swiss and says he is from Los Angeles. He had a dagger with an ivory handle, and is believed to be crazy.

He went to the Schenley Hotel, where the Carnegie Institute guests are making their headquarters, and asked for Mr. Carnegie.

He had a new dagger concealed in one hand. When arrested, he offered the policeman \$20 to take him to Carnegie.

The policeman said "All right," and walked him to jail.

The man's name, it was learned, is Fred Slagle.

Offered Policeman Gold. Shortly after 10 o'clock Policeman Kennedy noticed the man walking toward the entrance of the hotel. The stranger's actions aroused the policeman's suspicions.

"Whom do you wish to see," asked the policeman.

"Mr. Carnegie," replied the man in a nervous manner. "Take me to him and I will give you \$50."

The policeman refused and the stranger increased his offer to \$100.

The stranger reached in his pocket and pulled out a handful of \$20 gold pieces.

The policeman refused and the stranger handed to the policeman. Kennedy began to run his hands down through the man's pockets.

Held Dagger High. The man lifted his hands high in the air. Had not Kennedy caught a glimpse of the shining dagger held in the right hand, he might not now be alive. But he did get sight of the weapon, but did not let the man know that he saw it and made no effort to gain possession of it.

Then Kennedy persuaded the man to go to the police station.

KILL TO, INJURE 40,  
IN CANADA WRECK

WINNIPEG, Manitoba, April 11.—A dispatch from Chaplin says that ten persons were killed and forty seriously injured in an accident on the Canadian Pacific railroad this morning.

PREVENTION OF DISEASE  
AND DISINFECTANT HINTS

In connection with the distribution of the laws and regulations for the prevention of scarlet fever, diphtheria, measles, whooping cough, chicken pox, epidemic cerebro-spinal meningitis, and typhoid fever, sent out yesterday by the Health Department of the District, the department is today sending out a pamphlet of twenty-six pages of instructions relative to disinfection.

## YOUNG MARVIN STILL LIVING, CHILD'S IDEA

Anonymous Friend of Pearl Cook Thinks Lad Is Held Prisoner.

Suggestions called forth by The Sunday Times regarding the missing Marvin boy continue to pour in, and the interest which the case has aroused is matched only by the ingenuity of the readers of The Sunday Times in framing theories.

Now and again, however, a correspondent neglects to sign his communication. This is necessary, although, if the writer so desires, the name need not be published.

An Unnamed Letter.

The Times has received a letter from a child, to whom the mysteries of signatures "not necessarily for publication, but as evidence of good faith," are evidently a sealed book. That being the case, the letter is printed herewith.

Another correspondent attributes the loss of the child to the yearning affection of some childless person who knew the boy and was trusted by him, and still another agrees with little Pearl Cook, that the boy has perished in the marsh.

Here is the letter from the anonymous little friend of Pearl Cook:

Stolen While Hiding? I have been reading about the mysterious disappearance of little Horace Marvin, four years old, very much, and about the misfortune of the detectives to find him. I think that he was watched, and when he went to hide from his cousin he was seized and carried away. I hope that if the person who took him is caught they will be given a severe punishment. I am hoping every day to see of the recovery of the boy in the papers.

I am fourteen years old, and go to St. Peter's School, and know Pearl Cook, who wrote a letter of sympathy about the Marvin boy.

Washington, D. C., April 11.

Theorist Agrees With Pearl Cook; Thinks Boy Dead

To the Editor of The Washington Times:

In answer to your query, "Where is Horace Marvin?" I hereby quote my opinion, which is very similar in a way to that submitted by Pearl Cook, 123 G street southeast.

Young Horace is almost undoubtedly (Continued on Second Page.)

## WESTERN PAPER PRAISES TIMES BEAUTY PHOTOS

Anonymous Friend of Most Beautiful Women of Any So Far Shown.

From a Western newspaper comes a note of warning to all the other cities that Washington bids fair to win the national beauty contest.

This Western editor writes as follows: "You cities of the West who are seeking beauties, take a look at the beauty photographs being published in The Washington Sunday Times, and then redouble your efforts in your search for the women you hope to put forward as the winners of the national contest. Make up your minds that the West will have to put forward her best, her very best, to beat the showing of the National Capital."

"Whether it is because there are many very beautiful women in Washington, or whether it is because the Beauty Editor of The Sunday Times publishes pictures with a rare discrimination and judgment, the fact remains that the photographs of beautiful women printed in that paper are far ahead of any we have seen in the West, the South or New England."

"For the fame of the West and for our women, get up and hustle."

Washington's Fame Established.

Thus it is evident that Washington will enter the national contest with her fame for lovely women already established. And this fame has gone abroad because of the average beauty of the many women's photographs that have been published in The Sunday Times. If, in the last nine days of the contest that remain, the photograph of a woman surpassing in loveliness all her sisters is discovered, the victory of Washington in the national competition is made irrevocably sure.

To find such a woman, the minutest search by The Sunday Times and by the public will, it is believed, bring to light such a photograph. With Washington's victory already assured, it will be interesting to see if a photograph can be found in the last nine days to make the victory doubly certain.

Today two little girls, one eight years of age and the other barely past four (Continued on Third Page.)

## VETS PROMISED FULL SUPPORT OF PRESIDENT

Old Soldiers Will Not Be Discriminated Against in the Future.

President Roosevelt today vouched his word that there will be no discrimination against the veterans of the G. A. R., under his administration in the future, whatever may have been done in the past.

A delegation representing the old soldiers called at the White House this afternoon to lodge a protest against the recent dismissal of G. A. R. members from the repair shop of the Postoffice Department, and to urge the President to see that the old soldiers are cared for in the future. The President said he would take up the matter with his Cabinet, and assured his visitors that no man who ever wore the uniform of his country would be discriminated against in office if he could prevent it.

Those comprising the delegation were Gen. R. B. Brown, commander-in-chief of the G. A. R.; Corp. James Tanner; Mrs. Carrie Sparklin, national president of the Woman's Relief Corps; Col. Sparklin; Col. John McElroy, senior vice commander, and of the G. A. R., and Major Thomas Hopkins.

BOARD OF EXPERTS  
ON BLOCK SYSTEMS

Will Be Named to Experiment on Safety Appliance Devices.

The Interstate Commerce Commission will, in the near future, appoint a board of experts in safety appliance devices, whose commission will be to investigate and experiment with all the block signal and related systems for preventing train accidents, and to make complete and detailed report thereon, with a view to action that will establish the best possible protection against wrecks.

As soon as the commission is named it will invite railroads to volunteer opportunity for making tests on their lines of the various devices. It is expected there will be plenty of candidates for this distinction because it would be excellent advertising for the road, thus placing their facilities at the service of the investigators.

Congressman James R. Mann, of Chicago, author of the resolution directing the commission to investigate fully the working of the block signal systems of the country, has been in Chicago this week in conference with officials of the commission.

REFUNDINGS OF FOURS  
PROGRESSES RAPIDLY

Refunding of the fours of 1907, under the recent bond offer of the Secretary of the Treasury, is proceeding rapidly. The aggregate up to today is more than \$25,000,000, half of the amount set aside for that purpose. Bonds to the value of \$12,000,000 have been redeemed out of the limit of \$25,000,000.

Reduced to \$2.50 per 100 test.

Boards, wide, bright, \$2.00 per 100 ft. Lumber trust broken—Libbey & Co. Alabama Flooring, mostly edge grain.